MR. M K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: No. Contracts for supply of articles are usually settled only in consultation with the Heads of Departments concerned, the quality selected being what is suitable for the service at the most competitive price at which it is available.

Students of backward communities.

380. **MR. KAVIYOOR K. K. KOCHUKUNJU** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of students of backward communities undergoing collegiate education?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Pro-Vice-Chancellor*): The statement asked for is laid on the table.

MR. KAVIYOOR K. KOCHUKUNJU? പിന്നോക്ക സമുദായത്തിൽ നിന്ന് കാളേജ് വിദ്യാഭ്യാസം ചെയ്യുന്ന വിദ്യാർത്ഥികളുടെ പട്ടിക തന്നിട്ടുള്ളതിൽ ഈഴവർ, വിശ്വകർമ്മജർ, നാടാർ മുതലായ സമുദായങ്ങളിലെ വിദ്യാർത്ഥികളെക്കൂടി ഉൾപ്പെട്ടത്തിക്കാണുന്നു. ഈ സമുദായങ്ങൾ പിന്നോക്കസമുദായത്തിൽ ഉൾപ്പെട്ടിട്ടുള്ളവരാണെന്നാണോ വിചാരിക്കേണ്ടതു?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN: Yes, Sir. There used to be two classes, the backward and the depressed. The expression depressed has now been dropped under the orders of Government and all these communities are now classified as "backward".

MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRI: "ഡിപ്രെസ്ഡ്" എന്ന പദം ഉപയോഗിച്ചുകൂടാ എന്നു ഗവണ്മെന്റു് ആജ്ഞാപിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN: That is what I have just stated.

"Truth about Travancore."

381 ***MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of copies of "Truth about Travancore" (by one Mr. Nilkan Perumal) purchased by the Government;

(*b*) the cost the Government had to bear in purchasing the copies of that book; and

(*c*) whether the copies were circulated among officials and non-officials?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: (*a*) Five hundred copies of the book were purchased.

(*b*) Rs. 188-8-0 (one hundred and eighty eight and annas eight only).

(*c*) The copies were distributed among officials, press representatives, libraries, schools and colleges.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: Sir, May I know the necessity to circulate that book among officials, Press representatives, etc.?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: At the time, when the book was published false news were being disseminated by interested people with malicious motives. To counteract the evil effects of such propaganda, Government purchased these books and distributed them.

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Appendix XIII.

Vide Answer to Question No. 380

Statement by caste of students of backward communities undergoing Collegiate education.

Community.	Arts College.	Science College.	Law College.	Training College.	Women's College.	Engineering College.	Institute of Textile Technology.	St. Berchman's College	Union Xian College.	C.M.S. College.	Scot Xian College.	Sanskrit College.	Total
Salian	...	2	1	1	...	...	1	...	...		6	..	11
Nadar (Hindu)	2	6	8	4	...	2	..	...	...	..	9	...	27
Nadar (Xian)	..	...	3	..	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	..	3
Ezhava	41	55	10	4	25	7	3	20	19	11	5	19	219
Viswakarma	...	5	1	1	1	5	..	1	...	3	4	..	21
Sambavar (Xian)	...	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	...	..	..	...	2
Paraya (including Sambavar Hindu)	2	2	...	..	...	...	..	..	...	..	...	..	4
Miravan	1	3	..	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	4
Cheramar (Xn)	...	1	..	..	...	..	..		6	4	..	..	11
Ambattan	1	1	..	...	1	...	..	...	..	..	...	1	4
Krishnavagai	...	1	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	..	1	..	2
Vaniyan	...	4	..	...	...	...	...	...	1	..	2	1	8
Varnavar	...	1	..	...	...	...	...	..	..	1	1	1	4
Kuravan	1	..	..	...	...	...	..	...	..	..	..	...	1
Pulaya Cheramar (Hindu)	6	..	...	...	...		..	..	..	..	...	..	6
Sakiliyan	1	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	..		1
Paravan	1	..	..	...	...	...	...	..	...	1	..	..	2
Veerasivar	1	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	1
Yadava Edaya	1	..	..	...	1	...	...	...	..	..	2	..	4
Velan	...	...	..		...	...	..		..	..	1	..	1
Kudumi	...	..	..	...	...	...	..	1	...	..	...	..	1
Arayan	...	.	..	...	...	...	..	1	1	..	..	1	3
Kaniyan	...	..	..	...	1	...	...	2	...	..	...	1	4
Total	59	81	18	10	30	15	4	25	27	20	31	24	344